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SUBJECT: UN POPULATION COMMISSION MEETING NEW YORK - MARCH 4 -  
15, 1974

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1. ECUADOREAN REPRESENTATIVE POPULATION COMMISSION DR. EDUARDO SANTOS IS DIRECTOR OF GLOBAL AND REGIONAL STUDIES AND PLANS OFFICE OF ECUADOREAN NATIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. SANTOS WAS RECIPIENT OF USAID GRANT TO PARTICIPATE IN MEXICO TRIENNIAL MEETING OF INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR SCIENTIFIC STUDY OF POPULATION IN 1970 AND HAS SINCE PARTICIPATED IN VARIOUS OTHER MEETINGS DEALING WITH POPULATION MATTERS. SANTOS APPEARS TO BE ABOUT 35 YEARS OF AGE AND RECEIVED AT LEAST PART OF HIS UNIVERSITY EDUCATION IN MEXICO. HE IS SAID TO BE A HIGHLY INTELLIGENT, OBJECTIVE MAN WHO HAS NOT WHOLEHEARTEDLY EMBRACED POPULATION PLANNING ALTHOUGH HE HAS EXPRESSED HIMSELF PUBLICLY IN FAVOR OF FAMILY PLANNING EDUCATION FOR HEALTH REASONS. HIS AGENCY (NATIONAL PLANNING BOARD) DOES NOT RECOGNIZE A CONNECTION BETWEEN POPULATION PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT. HOWEVER, SANTOS, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS HAS RECOMMENDED THAT A STUDY BE DONE OF WHAT RELATIONSHIP MAY EXIST BETWEEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND POPULATION IN ECUADOR. COINCIDENTALLY, THE  
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USAID SUPPORTED DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS CENTER OF THE

PLANNING BOARD IS BEGINNING A GE TEMP-TYPE STUDY MARCH 4.

2. ON ADVICE OF THOSE WHO KNOW HIM AND HIS AGENCY WELL, EMBASSY WOULD PREFER NOT DELIVER LETTER AND DRAFT DOCUMENTS TO SANTOS BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE IN BELIEF THAT HE MAY BE ABLE TO ACT MORE OBJECTIVELY IN NEW YORK IF NOT GIVEN CHANCE CONFER ON US DRAFT WITH HIS SUPERIORS BEFORE DEPARTURE. SUPERIOR, JOSE MOUCADA, IS KNOWN TO BE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO POPULATION PLANNING AS DEVELOPMENT TOOL.

WE SUGGEST THAT APPROACHES TO SANTOS BE CARRIED OUT IN GINGERLY FASHION AND THAT IF ANY OF STUDIES DEMONSTRATING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT ARE AVAILABLE ON COUNTRIES IN SITUATION SIMILAR TO ECUADOR'S, I.E. GE TEMPO-TYPE STUDIES ON VENEZUELA, CHILE, HONDURAS, THAT THEY BE GIVEN TO HIM.  
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